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**From:** Suarez, Mark [Suarez.Mark@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 2/18/2020 3:32:38 PM  
**To:** Anderson, Neil [Anderson.Neil@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** FW: More Seed Treatment Questions  
**Attachments:** BioScience Seed Treatment Paper resubmission final.pdf

I should have sent this to you, as well.  
Mark

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**From:** Suarez, Mark  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 18, 2020 9:36 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Hope <johnson.hope@epa.gov>; Nesci, Kimberly <Nesci.Kimberly@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Kaul, Monisha <Kaul.Monisha@epa.gov>; Tindall, Kelly <tindall.kelly@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: More Seed Treatment Questions

All,

Kelly and I are digesting this manuscript on Seed Treatment Data that is co-authored by someone from OP. I had spoken with him last year about the available data and he sent me the manuscript last Friday to "review for factual errors" Kelly and I are meeting today to discuss our thoughts. The plan was to elevate this after we had a chance to read it.

It went to PRD and RD, as well - unbeknownst to me. They have already elevated it to Alyssa and Rick.

So, I wanted you all to know about it before you hear about it from somewhere else.

Kelly and I should be able to give you a brief summary after we meet today.

Mark

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**From:** Smith, David <Smith.David@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, February 14, 2020 9:52 AM  
**To:** Suarez, Mark <Suarez.Mark@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: More Seed Treatment Questions

Mark,

I hope all is well over in Crystal City. When is your office moving to HQ? Will that be a better or worse commute for you? It sounds like it is a mixed bag dependent on where you live. The article that I was working regarding seed treatments got accepted this week to BioScience. I thought that I would share the manuscript. Please let me know if you see any inaccurate statements in the manuscript. We anticipate having page proofs by the end of week next and will only have 48 hours to make any edits. So we would need any comments by Feb 20<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to share the manuscript with others, just let me know so I can keep track of it. Thanks again for all your help.

Thanks,

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**From:** Smith, David  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 21, 2020 1:00 PM  
**To:** Suarez, Mark <[Suarez.Mark@epa.gov](mailto:Suarez.Mark@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** More Seed Treatment Questions

Mark,

Thanks for talking with me back in October about seed treatment data. It was very helpful. I have some questions about the treated article exemption for seed treatments and I wonder who in your office might be able to answer them. Many of my questions are pretty broad and I am looking to learn about how the exemption is applied and in what cases it is not. Thank you for helping to point me in the right direction.

Thanks,

David J. Smith  
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